

Biblical Manliness

1 Kings 2:1-4

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Thesis: I want to show what the Bible says in regards to Manliness.

- Intro:
1. It is easily seen today that being masculine is under attack, just like ladies who are feminine are under attack as well.
 2. Today we want to show the truth about Biblical manliness.

I. Today's Assault on Masculinity

A. Masculinity is viewed as dangerous.

1. Many in the media and even some companies are now portraying **all** men as bullies and sexual predators.
2. Men are portrayed as condoning such actions in young boys.

B. All men are not perfect...

1. Unfairly accusing all being evil because of the actions of a few is unfair and unbiblical.
2. Man will always have to deal with the consequences of the actions of others however that doesn't make them guilty of the same actions.

II. Manliness according to the Bible (**1 Kings 2:2**)

A. Men and the Family

1. Men are to be providers
 - a. Man has been workers and providers from the Beginning
 - i. Adam was tend the garden (**Gen 2:15**)
 - ii. Cain (tiller of the ground) and Abel (keeper of sheep) had duties (**Gen 4:2**)
2. Men are to be committed to their marriage
 - a. Biblical manliness demands men truly and deeply love their wives (**Eph 5:24**).

B. The Man's Biblical Role & Responsibilities

1. Men are to examples to other men – young and old.
2. Men are to hold boys to a higher moral and ethical standard
3. This is done by setting the right kind of example.
 - a. The right kind of speech (**Titus 2:8**)
 - b. In manner of life (**1 Pt 1:18**)
 - c. In love (**Eph 5:23-25**)
 - d. In spirit (**1 Pt 4:1**)
 - e. In faith (**Jude 3**)
 - f. In Purity (**Phil 4:8**)

III. Lessons for Us Today

A. Masculinity should be reclaimed not redefined or removed.

1. Some today try to redefine masculinity to be something that it was never meant to be.
2. Masculinity is not a negative term or concept.

3. Men, by nature and design can be aggressive when needed.
 - a. Protection from those who would do you or your loved ones harm often times require aggressive measures.

B. True Masculinity is outlined in Biblical principles.

1. The first and most clear is found in **Luke 6:31**.
2. Men are to be those who teach masculine attributes that include protection of loved ones, being providers and workers.
 - a. This does not mean that women do not have a part in many of these things, but men must fulfill their duties.
 - b. Men are to teach boys what their Biblical roles are as men.

Application & Conclusion:

1. Manliness is not what it seems when we look at what the media and others say.
2. Biblical manliness is an asset to friends, family and the church.
3. Next week we will examine the negative aspects unfairly placed upon women today.
4. Full Invitation

Non-Christians must:

Hear – James 1:22, Romans 10:15,17

Believe – Jn 12:44, Jn 8:24, Mt 16:16

Repent – Luke 13:2-3

Confess – John 12:42, Romans 10:9

Be Baptized – 1 Pt 3:21, Acts 22:16, Col 2:11, Mk 16:16, Rom 6:3-4

Live faithfully – John 14:15, Rev 2:10

Christians must:

Repent: Acts 17:20, Acts 8:37, Lk 13:3

Pray: James 5:16, 1 Jn 1:9